

Blood-Stream Infection (CDC)

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Dear Sir

I write with reference to your proposed revision of the Catheter-Related Bloodstream Infection Guidelines and most specifically about the recommendation that lipid-containing feeds along with their giving sets be changed no less frequently than every 24 hours.

It appears to be the case that the evidence for this recommendation is unclear and does not adequately take a number of factors into account.

Please find attached a proof copy of an article I have authored - it is in press but will be published this year with the following reference:

Austin P. Can adult intravenous feeds be safely administered over a continuous 48-hour period? Complete Nutrition 2009; 9(6): 23-25

This article highlights the factors that require further consideration before publication of your revised guidelines and I would be very interested in the Development Group's thoughts regarding these.

With best wishes

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